WHEREAS, The health of all Americans depends upon educated minds and trained hands; and,

WHEREAS, The practice of modern medicine at the life conserving standards we now enjoy would be impossible without the scientific tests performed daily in the Medical Laboratory; and,

WHEREAS, Maintenance of these standards and progress towards improvement in the quality of laboratory services depends on the dedicated efforts of professional practitioners of Laboratory Science; and,

WHEREAS, Through this dedication, the Medical Laboratories of the United States have made a vital contribution to the quality of patient care:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of April 10, through April 16, 1977, as

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in South Dakota and invite the attention of all citizens of the State to the important and often unrecognized contribution the medical technologist makes to the daily welfare and the challenging career of rich services which medical technology represents for our young people.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 6th day of April, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Seven

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE